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SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : May I know whether such a Society will come into being only in the Coimbatore district or in the other districts also?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Whenever societies of Government employees come up with a house building programme, the Government help them.

Distribution of College Calendar

* 136 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any delay in distributing the College Calendar to the students of the Government Colleges during 1957–58; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) & (b) There was some delay in the distribution of the Calendars during 1957–58 in certain Government Colleges. This was due to the late printing of the Calendars by the Government Press on account of pressure of work on hand at the Press.

VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : இந்தக் 'காலேஜ் காலெண்டர்' மாணவர்களுக்கும் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கும் மிக மிக முக்கியமானது, சிறந்த துணை நூல், வழிகாட்டியும் கூட. அப்படியிருந்தும், இன்று வரையில் பல கல்லூரிகளில் காலெண்டர் கொடுக்கப்படவில்லை. அடுத்த ஆண்டிலாவது, கல்லூரி திறக்கும் சமயத்திலாவது, அல்லது திறந்து சில தினங்களுக்குள்ளாவது காலெண்டர் கொடுப்பதற்கு அரசாங்கத்தார் ஏற்பாடு செய்வார்களா ?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : இப்பொழுது கவர்ண்மெண்டு பிரஸ்ஸில் இரண்டு ஷிப்டு வேலை செய்ய ஆரம்பித்திருக்கிறார்கள். ஆகையினால் இனி சீக்கிரம் வேலை முடியும் என்று எதிர்பார்க்கிறோம்.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : The Hon. the Minister for Education said that there was some delay in distributing these Calendars. I understand that College Calendars were distributed in some colleges in the month of December and in some other colleges in this month. May I know why there has been a delay of seven or eight months?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I was referring to the year 1957–58. I do not have information for this year. Perhaps, this year there might have been some delay and I hope that this delay would not occur next year and that the Government Press would be prompt enough to print these Calendars.

Drinking water wells

* 137 Q.—SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN (on behalf of Sri M. Ethirajalu) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of drinking water wells sunk under National Extension Service and Community Development Schemes in this State during the years 1956–57 and 1957–58; and

(b) the expenditure incurred for the purpose?

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THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Finance) : (a) The total number of drinking water wells sunk under the National Extension Service and Community Development Schemes in this State is 759 during 1956–57 and 795 during 1957–58.

(b) The total expenditure incurred for the purpose is Rs. 5,45,957–96 nP. during 1956–57 and Rs. 3,55,112–02 nP. during 1957–58.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : இந்தக் கிணறுகளில் தண்ணீர் இருக்கிறதா? தண்ணீர் இல்லாத கிணறுகளைப் பார்த்திருக்கிறேம்.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : தண்ணீர் இருக்கிற கிணறுகள்தான் என்று நினைக்கிறேன்.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Is it a fact that much more money was spent for sinking of wells by giving contract for a large amount than what was ordinarily warranted?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : No, Sir. It is really constructed on the basis of 25 per cent contribution by the local people and 75 per cent by the Government. The work is executed under the supervision of the local National Extension Officers. I do not think there is any scope for abuse of funds.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : சராசரி ஒரு கிணறுக்கு என்ன செலவாகும்?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : அது ஊரைப் பொறுத்திருக்கும். கோயம்புத்தூரில் கிணறு வெட்டுவதென்றுல், செலவு அதிகமாக ஆகும். தஞ்சாவூரில் கொஞ்சம் செலவு குறைவாக இருக்கும்.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : இதை பி.டப்ளியூ.டி.-யில் செய்கிறார்களா, அல்லது லோகல் டெவலப்மெண்டு வொர்க்ஸின் கீழ் செய்கிறார்களா?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : லோகல் டெவலப்மெண்டு வொர்க்ஸின் கீழ் தான் செய்யப்படுகிறது.

SRI M. SESHACHARIAR : Is it a fact that there is no provision for baling out water that, therefore, several contractors do not take up this work and that, consequently there is delay in the execution of the work?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : I think, I should ask for notice.

DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN : Is it not a fact that baling charges are also included in the estimates drawn up for sinking of wells? According to the rules of the Public Works Department, baling charges also should be included.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : I do not think so, but on that I want notice.

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DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN : Since the hon. Member Sri Seshachariar referred to lack of facilities for baling out water and the consequent delay, I put that question.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : There was some lacuna there.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : While the sinking of a number of wells is appreciated, is the Hon. Minister satisfied that these wells are in good condition, that there is enough water which can be used by the people and that the water is not brackish?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : It is too vague a question. If the hon. Member has put a question, whether in a particular well in a particular place there is no water or there is only brackish water, then we could look into it. When we have sunk about 1,500 wells in two years, it is presumed that the water is good.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : When I toured along with the Estimates Committee, I heard—I do not know how far it is true—that a particular well was sunk at a cost of Rs. 1,000 or Rs. 1,500, but that there was no water in it. On the day of inspection by some officer, two lorry loads of water were brought and the well was filled up. That is why I put this question so that the Hon. Minister might examine the matter.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : I think the hon Member may pass on the information regarding the name of that place and the well for the scrutiny of the Government.

SRI K. V. RAMASWAMY : வரட்சியாக இருக்கக்கூடிய குடி தண்ணீர்க் கிணறுகளிலே இலவசமாக போர் செட்டுகள் போட்டு தண்ணீர் வரவழைத்துக் கொடுக்க சர்க்கார் ஏற்பாடு செய்வார்களா ? சர்க்காரிடம் போர் செட்டுகள் இருக்கின்றனவா ?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : இதெல்லாம் குடி தண்ணீர்க் கிணறுகள். இங்கு இருக்கும் கணக்கில் 55 கிணறுகளுக்கு ஹாண்டு பம்புகள் வைத்திருப்பதாகத் தெரிகிறது. மற்ற செட்டுகள் போடப்பட்டதா என்பதற்கு இங்கு ஒன்றும் கணக்கு இல்லே.

SRI A. M. ALLAPICHAI : The Hon. Minister has stated that people will have to contribute 25 per cent of the expenditure and that the Government will contribute the remaining 75 per cent But what about the people who are not able to contribute on account of their poverty?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : In the case of backward communities and Harijans, only 10 per cent of the cost need be contributed by them, and this may be done in the shape of labour also.

Remuneration to teachers for cattle census work

* 138 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state with reference to the answer